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Andrew Carnegie

Far from quaint

The following remarks are taken from an address given by Robert W. Off to representatives of Andrew Carnegie's philanthropies who gathered in August 1985 in Mr. Carnegie's native Dunfermline, Scotland, to mark the 150th anniversary of his birth on November 25, 1835. Mr. Off is President of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission.

"You have made a good start, and there is to be no finish—it goes on forever."

So wrote Andrew Carnegie in 1905 to Charles Taylor, who was the first president of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission.

The Fund has gone on very nicely for 80 years. We have made more than 6,900 awards, touching the lives of the heroes and their dependents, and have given grants of \$15.2 million. Looking ahead into the 21st Century, do we see the necessity to minister to the needs of civilian heroes? Or is the attention the state provides its citizens enough?

Despite our government's welfare programs, the Fund does contribute to the enrichment of the lives of its heroes and their families. If that were not so, we would all be wasting our

time. Mr. Carnegie's hero funds would be curiosities—quaint institutions with little or no meaning for the rest of humanity.

We believe we are far from quaint. We believe that we are carrying on to the best of our ability the humanitarian work envisioned by the founder, and furthermore, that our work does have important meaning for mankind.

Although the relative significance of our financial aid has been diminished over the years by social programs that were not in place back in 1904, our assistance, supplementary though it may be, helps to enrich the lives of our people. And the psychological support we try to maintain is of significance to these families.

Somebody cares. Somebody besides the government welfare officer.

The sesquicentennial of the founder's birth is an appropriate occasion for evaluation, retrospection, anticipation, rededication. In just a few years, early in the next century, all of the hero funds will enter their second hundred years. It appears that Andrew Carnegie's abiding faith and optimism for them were well founded. We hope so. And we rededicate ourselves to the noble purposes of this benefaction as envisioned by its founder. It should indeed go on forever.

Carnegie Hero Fund Commission

Established April 15, 1904, by Andrew Carnegie, the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission was created to recognize outstanding acts of selfless heroism performed in the United States and Canada.

Recognition in all acts considered worthy by the Commission consists of a medal. It may also include, in acts in which disabling injuries are sustained by the rescuer, a supplemental continuing grant; in acts in which the rescuer loses his life, financial assistance for the surviving dependents; and in acts in which no disablement is sustained, grants for education or other worthy purposes in the lives of the rescuers.

Recommendations for awards may be made by an individual having knowledge of such outstanding acts of bravery, and should be sent directly to the Commission. Awards are open to all citizens and visitors of the two countries under regulations presented in detail on subsequent pages of this report.

Each recommended act is investigated as to fact and degree of risk involved and is evaluated by the Commission on the basis of results of the investigation.

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I do not expect to stimulate or create heroism by this fund, knowing well that heroic action is impulsive; but I do believe that, if the hero is injured in his bold attempt to serve or save his fellows, he and those dependent upon him should not suffer pecuniarily.

—Andrew Carnegie

Deed of Trust

To the Hero Fund Commission:

Gentlemen: We live in a heroic age. Not seldom are we thrilled by deeds of heroism where men or women are injured or lose their lives in attempting to preserve or rescue their fellows; such the heroes of civilization. The heroes of barbarism maimed or killed theirs.

I have long felt that the heroes and those dependent upon them should be freed from pecuniary cares resulting from their heroism, and, as a fund for this purpose, I have transferred to the Commission five million dollars of First Collateral Five Per Cent. Bonds of the United States Steel Corporation, the proceeds to be used as follows:

FIRST. To place those following peaceful vocations, who have been injured in heroic effort to save human life, in somewhat better positions pecuniarily than before, until again able to work. In case of death, the widow and children, or other dependents, to be provided for until she remarries, and the children until they reach a self-supporting age. For exceptional children exceptional grants may be made for exceptional education. Grants of sums of money may also be made to heroes or heroines as the Commission thinks advisable—each case to be judged on its merits.

SECOND. No grant is to be continued unless it be soberly and properly used, and the recipients remain respectable, well-behaved members of the community, but the heroes and heroines are to be given a fair trial, no matter what their antecedents. Heroes deserve pardon and a fresh start.

THIRD. A medal shall be given to the hero, or widow, or next of kin, which shall recite the heroic deed it commemorates, that descendants may know and be proud of their descent. The medal shall be given for the heroic act, even if the doer be uninjured, and also a sum of money, should the Commission deem such gift desirable.

FOURTH. Many cities provide pensions for policemen, firemen, teachers, and others, and some may give rewards for acts of heroism. All these and other facts the Commission will take into account and act accordingly in making grants. Nothing could be further from my intention than to deaden or interfere with these most creditable provisions, doubly precious as showing

public and municipal appreciation of faithful and heroic service. I ask from the Commission most careful guard against this danger. The medal can, of course, be offered in such cases. Whether something more can not judiciously be done, at the request of, or with the approval of, the city authorities, the Commission shall determine. I hope there can be.

FIFTH. The claims upon the Fund for some years can not exhaust it. After years, however, pensioners will become numerous. Should the Commission find, after allowing liberally for this, that a surplus will remain, it has power to make grants in case of accidents (preferably where a hero has appeared) to those injured. The action taken in the recent Harwick Mine accident, where Heroes Taylor and Lyle lost their lives, is an illustration. The community first raised a fund of forty thousand dollars, which was duplicated by me after waiting until the generosity of the community had full scope. Here again the Commission should be exceedingly careful, as in this case, not to deaden, but to stimulate employers or communities to do their part, for such action benefits givers themselves as well as recipients.

SIXTH. It seems probable that cities and employers on this continent will ultimately be placed under similar conditions to those of Britain, Germany, and other European States, and required to provide against accidents to employees. Therefore, the Commission, by a two-thirds vote, may devote any surplus that accrues beyond providing for heroes and their dependents (which provision must never be abandoned) to such other modes of benefiting those in want, chiefly caused through no fault of their own (such as drunkenness, laziness, crimes, etc.) but through exceptional circumstances, in such manner and to such extent as the Commission thinks advisable and likely to do more good than if such sums were given to those injured by accident, where the latter may be suitably provided for by law, or otherwise.

SEVENTH. The field embraced by the Fund is the United States of America, the Dominion of Canada, the Colony of Newfoundland, and the waters thereof. The sea is the scene of many heroic acts. No action more heroic than that of doctors and nurses volunteering their services in the case of epidemics. Railroad employees are remarkable for heroism. All these and similar cases are embraced. Whenever heroism is displayed by man or woman in saving human life, the Fund applies.

EIGHTH. No personal liability will attach to members for any act of the Commission. The Commission has power to fill vacancies.

NINTH. The Commission has full power to sell, invest, or reinvest all funds; to employ all officials, including Secretary, traveling agents to visit and oversee beneficiaries, etc., and to fix their compensation. Members of the Commission shall be reimbursed all expenses incurred, including traveling expenses

attending meetings. The President shall be granted such honoraria as the Commission thinks proper and as he can be prevailed upon to accept.

TENTH. An annual report, including a detailed statement of sums and medals granted and the reasons therefor, shall be made each year and published in at least one newspaper in the principal cities of the countries embraced by the Fund. A finely executed roll of the heroes and heroines shall be kept displayed in the office at Pittsburgh.

New York, March 12th, 1904

A handwritten signature in cursive ink, appearing to read "Andrew Carnegie".

Witness

Louise Whitfield Carnegie

The Carnegie Medal



The Carnegie Medal is awarded to one who, at the risk of his own life, saves or attempts to save the life of another person.

Mr. Carnegie's embossed profile dominates the front of the medal. On the reverse side in low relief are shown the geographical outlines of the United States and Canada, the countries to which the Fund applies. In higher relief the seals of these countries are shown, with the United States below the inscription plate, and Canada and Newfoundland at the top left and right of it, respectively.

Relief work surrounding the inscription plate reveals a sprig of laurel underneath and sprigs of ivy, oak, and thistle at the top. Laurel typifies glory; ivy, friendship; oak, strength; and thistle, persistency. Encircling the relief work is a quotation from the New Testament (John XV, 13): "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

Requirements for a Carnegie Medal

There must be conclusive evidence that the person performing the act voluntarily risked his own life to an extraordinary degree in saving or attempting to save the life of another person, or voluntarily sacrificed himself in a heroic manner for the benefit of others.

The act of rescue must be one in which no full measure of responsibility exists between the rescuer and the rescued.

The act must have been performed in the United States, Canada, or the waters thereof and must be brought to the attention of the Commission within two years of the date of the rescue.

Persons *not* eligible for awards are: those whose duties in following their regular vocations require them to perform such acts, unless the rescues are clearly beyond the line of duty; members of the armed services; children considered by the Commission to be too young to comprehend the risks involved; and members of the same family, except in cases of outstanding heroism where the rescuer loses his or her life or is severely injured.

Awards

A medal is presented to the person performing the act or, in case of death, to the widow, widower, or the next of kin.

When a rescuer loses his life in performance of an act, contributions may be made toward the livelihood of the widow until she remarries; and contributions may also be made toward the support and education of the deceased rescuer's children. If the rescuer is disabled in the performance of the act, periodic contributions may be made to his livelihood. If the rescuer be uninjured, a monetary grant may nevertheless be made, should the Commission deem such gift desirable.

The benefits to be paid and the manner of payment are determined by the Commission after consideration of the circumstances of each awardee. Continuing benefits are paid only if there is clear need for such assistance and only if such benefits are soberly and properly used and the recipients remain respectable members of their communities.

Heroic acts recognized during 1985

Carnegie Medal awarded to Jerry W. Ashcraft, who saved Bryant O. McConnell and others from being struck by a train, Camden, Arkansas, May 20, 1984. Bryant, 10, and three other boys were fishing from a narrow, single-track railroad trestle as a freight train approached. They attempted to outrun the train. Aboard the first engine of the train, Ashcraft, 35, a train engineer, descended to the engine's bottom step as the train was traveling at about 5 m.p.h., and, holding to a railing with one hand, kicked the three other boys one at a time from the train's path. They fell to safety below the trestle. Since Bryant was running on the track, Ashcraft leaned in front of the train and grabbed him by the collar just as the engine was about to strike him. Ashcraft threw Bryant from the trestle but then lost his balance and fell in front of the train. Projections of the engine struck Ashcraft in the shoulder and left knee and pushed him away from the train. The boys recovered from minor bruises. Ashcraft underwent surgery and therapy for disabling injuries.

59997-6893

Carnegie Medal awarded to Frank A. Bennett, who rescued Margaret A. McKay from burning, Cobden, Ontario, December 4, 1982. Margaret, 13, was inside her father's service station when fire broke out, trapping her. Bennett, 23, unemployed melter-pourer, ran into the garage but was prevented from reaching Margaret by a wall of chest-high flames. When Margaret fell while attempting to run through the flames, Bennett entered the fire and pulled her out. He ran from the garage with her and extinguished the flames on her legs. Margaret was hospitalized for extensive burns. Bennett was hospitalized three days for smoke inhalation and burns to his face and hands; he recovered.

59714-6908

Carnegie Medal awarded to Scott Allen Berner, who saved Joseph G., Ann K., and Mary K. Leadon from burning, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 21, 1984. Mary, 4, and Mrs. Leadon, 40, were passengers in a truck driven by Leadon, 33, when the truck overturned on a highway ramp and caught fire. Traveling nearby, Berner, 26, meat packer, witnessed the accident. He stopped his car and ran back to the truck, where the Leadon family was trapped in the cab by their seat belts. With flames issuing from the hood and underside of the cab, Berner kicked out the windshield and removed it. Despite increasing flames separating him from the cab's interior, Berner entered the cab through the windshield opening to remove Mary. Twice more he entered the cab for Leadon and his wife. Moments after the rescue, the truck's fuel tank ignited and engulfed the cab in flames. Berner and the Leadons were treated for minor injuries, and they recovered.

60126-6921

Carnegie Medal awarded to Jean-Louis H. Bertrand, who rescued Robert Simpson from burning, Kamloops, British Columbia, August 26, 1984. Simpson, 28, was driving home at night when he lost control of his small pickup truck, which flipped over, landed on its side, and caught fire. Bertrand, 32, store owner, was driving the opposite way and saw the accident. He ran to the burning truck and attempted, without success, to open its passenger door. Then, despite flames surrounding the cab and intense heat, he kicked in the windshield of the truck and reached inside for Simpson. With difficulty, he extracted Simpson, whose clothes were aflame, and dragged him to safety. After extinguishing the fire on Simpson's clothes with his hands, Bertrand drove him to a hospital, where he received treatment for extensive third-degree burns. Bertrand recovered from lesser burns.

60285-6934

Carnegie Medal awarded to Chester Lee Binegar, who attempted to help save Kevin M. Bates from suffocation, St. Marys, West Virginia, October 4, 1984. Bates, 22, was overcome by natural gas fumes inside an above-ground tank that contained 40 inches of water. Alerted by a co-worker, Binegar, 24, service rig hand, climbed atop the tank and entered it for Bates, but he was immediately overcome by the fumes, as were two other men who had entered. The four men were removed by others. Bates and Binegar recovered after hospitalization.

60022-6914

Carnegie Medal awarded to Peter P. Bobetich, Jr., who saved Willie C. Walker and rescued Brenda Anderson from burning, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania, August 2, 1984. Walker, 57, and Miss Anderson, 39, were in a second-floor apartment when fire broke out, filling the apartment with smoke. Bobetich, 35, meter reader, entered the building and found Walker, who was crippled, halfway up the stairs. Bobetich carried Walker outside, then returned for Miss Anderson. Directed by her moans, Bobetich climbed to the second floor and, despite dense smoke and overhead flames, crawled into the apartment, locating Miss Anderson in her bedroom, which also was aflame. Bobetich dragged Miss Anderson down the stairs and to the outside. Walker was not injured. Miss Anderson suffered burns over 20 percent of her body and died a week later. Bobetich was treated at the hospital for smoke inhalation; he recovered.

59923-6878

Carnegie Medal awarded to David Freeman Caines, who saved Arthur J. Lavers from drowning, Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, May 10, 1983. Lavers, 54, fell into the frigid water of Glace Bay Harbor while boarding a boat and was rendered unconscious. Although he was a non-swimmer, Caines, 20, fisherman, jumped fully clothed into the harbor for Lavers. After removing his boots, which weighed him down, Caines kicked and paddled his way to Lavers, tied a rope about him, then held onto him as those on the wharf pulled them in. Lavers recovered after hospitalization.

60291-6935

Carnegie Medal awarded to James E. Calvarese, who rescued Terry L. Stillwell-Alexander from assault, Oakland, California, February 7, 1985. Mrs. Stillwell-Alexander, 25, a deputy sheriff, was about to escort a convicted felon from court when he broke free and fled. She pursued him and tackled him outside the courtroom, but in the ensuing struggle, the felon grabbed her fully-loaded service revolver and pointed it at her. Calvarese, 49, insurance salesman, at the courthouse on unrelated business, heard Mrs. Stillwell-Alexander scream and ran to her. Calvarese dived for the felon's arm, deflecting the gun as it fired. A struggle followed, during which the felon pointed the gun at Calvarese. The felon fled into a stairwell after Calvarese gained control of the gun, but Calvarese followed him and, with Mrs. Stillwell-Alexander, held him at gunpoint until other deputies arrived and arrested him.

60200-6936

Carnegie Medal awarded to Thomas Lee Chasen, who attempted to save William R. McClintock, Jr., from being struck by a train, Alexandria, Virginia, July 22, 1984. McClintock, 26, walked between the rails of a track on which a train was approaching. Chasen, 33, railroad ticket clerk, ran a half-mile to McClintock, warning him to clear the track. When the train, moving at about 20 m.p.h., had approached to within 500 feet of McClintock, Chasen attempted to push him from the track, but McClintock threw him aside and continued walking into the path of the train. When the train was about 100 feet away, its horn blowing and its emergency brakes applied, Chasen again tried to move McClintock from the track. Narrowly missing Chasen as he jumped from its path, the train struck McClintock, who died later.

59869-6894

Carnegie Medal awarded to Henry F. Comegys, Sr., who rescued Carl W. Vaughn, Jr., from burning, Centreville, Maryland, September 6, 1984. After a fiery highway accident involving another truck and a car, Vaughn, 30, was pinned inside the cab of his dump truck. Having witnessed the accident, Comegys, 48, farmer, ran into the narrow space between the trucks, both of which were burning, and climbed to the cab of Vaughn's truck. He pulled on Vaughn, dislodging him. After both men fell from the cab, Comegys dragged Vaughn to safety. Vaughn recovered from first- and second-degree burns and other serious injuries, and Comegys from lesser burns.

59948-6909

Carnegie Medal awarded to Robert A. Conner, who attempted to revive Carl R. Bassler, St. Petersburg, Florida, September 25, 1984. Bassler, 72, and Conner, 66, retired executive, were playing tennis when Bassler, suffering a heart attack, collapsed. Despite his own heart condition, which limited his physical activity, Conner performed cardio-pulmonary resuscitation on Bassler for several minutes. After Conner developed shortness of breath and pain in his arm, he directed others to continue resuscitation attempts. Bassler died. Conner returned home, but when his pain increased, paramedics were

called. Conner was taken to the hospital, where he was detained nine days for coronary treatment.

60107-6937

Carnegie Medal awarded to Warren Crane Crunden, who died attempting to save Lee W. Peck from drowning, Brant Beach, New Jersey, April 16, 1984. Peck, 44, and Crunden, 53, banker, were sailing in the Atlantic Ocean with two other men when, at night, severe weather and rough seas caused Peck to be knocked overboard by the boat's boom. Crunden and the others threw him a life preserver and pulled him to the side of the boat, but they were unable to lift him in. Crunden jumped into the water for Peck and established a hold on him, but Peck submerged. The men on board pulled Crunden to the side of the boat, but they were unable to pull him aboard. He drowned. Peck was not found.

60175-6922

Carnegie Medal awarded to Terrence Allan Dixon, who saved Bonnie L. Boucher and Luke E. and Deborah J. Reiche from exposure, Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia, April 2, 1983. After the small airplane in which they were passengers crashed, Miss Boucher, 31, and Mr. and Mrs. Reiche, both 30, were trapped on a steep, narrow ledge near the 6,450-foot peak of a snow-covered mountain about 20 miles northwest of Harrison Hot Springs. Informed of the accident, Dixon, 33, charter helicopter operations manager, flew three military rescue technicians to the crash site, but deep snow, uneven terrain, and the fear of causing an avalanche precluded their landing. In a net which was then attached to the helicopter, Dixon lifted two of the technicians up the mountain through freezing rain as the third served as co-pilot. Despite strong winds causing occasional white-out conditions, Dixon hovered his helicopter in a cloud, the craft's rotor blade within three feet of the mountainside. After the rescue technicians aided Miss Boucher and Mrs. Reiche into the net, Dixon flew them to safety, then returned in deteriorating conditions for Reiche. The victims were then flown to a hospital, where they were treated for exposure. They recovered.

59888-6923

Carnegie Medal awarded to Ted Eichelberger, who rescued Lance H. Wiese from burning, Versailles, Illinois, October 10, 1984. Wiese, 22, farmer, lay unconscious and aflame in the overturned cab of his grain truck after it collided with a tractor-trailer and one of its gasoline tanks exploded. Working nearby, Eichelberger, 41, farmer, heard the crash and ran to Wiese's truck. Despite flames shooting into the air, thick smoke, and intense heat, Eichelberger knelt, reached through the cab's broken-out windshield, and grasped Wiese. Eichelberger pulled him from the cab and dragged him clear of the wreckage. He then extinguished flames on Wiese and removed his smoldering clothes. Moments later, the truck's other gasoline tank exploded. Wiese received disabling burns over 60 percent of his body. 60005-6910

Carnegie Medal awarded to Raimie Finn, who died attempting to save Jonathan L. Douthitt from being hit by a train, Port St. Lucie, Florida,

September 27, 1984. Jonathan, 10, lay on the rear seat of a school bus that had stalled on a railroad track. As a train approached, Raimie, 12, student, and two others, all of whom had been sitting in the front of the bus, began to escape. Rather than leave the bus, Raimie turned and ran to the back seat, where she alerted Jonathan. After they attempted to open the bus's emergency door, which had been locked, they turned and began to run toward the front door. The train struck the bus, and both Jonathan and Raimie were killed.

60019-6895

Carnegie Medal awarded to William A. Fournier, who died attempting to save Richard L. Lisa from suffocation, Belfast, Maine, April 11, 1985. Lisa, 21, at work on his employer's barge, entered a compartment that was later found to be deficient in oxygen. He lost consciousness. A co-worker, Fournier, 20, tugboat captain, called to Lisa and, on receiving no response, entered the compartment for him. He too lost consciousness, as did a second co-worker who entered the barge for Lisa. Rescue workers later recovered the three victims. Lisa, who was in a coma for 11 days and was hospitalized for four weeks, survived. Fournier and the other co-worker could not be revived.

60360-6938

Carnegie Medal awarded to Louis Joseph Gallant, who saved John W. Waite from a runaway truck, New Campbellton, Nova Scotia, January 14, 1984. Waite, 28, was driving an 85,000-pound tractor-trailer down Kelly Mountain when the truck's brakes failed. Gallant, 29, truck driver, was driving his tractor-trailer down the same road ahead of Waite when Waite radioed him of his plight. Gallant instructed Waite to drive his truck into the back of his own so that he could attempt to stop them both. Gallant then increased his speed to about 50 m.p.h. on the twisting stretch of road on which he normally drove at 15. Near the bottom of the hill, where the highway took a 180-degree turn, Waite's truck, then traveling at about 60 m.p.h., collided with Gallant's. Gallant applied his brakes and, over the course of a quarter-mile, brought both trucks to a halt several hundred feet short of the turn. Waite sustained a minor chest injury from which he recovered.

60307-6940

Carnegie Medal awarded to Joseph Gene Gallo, who died helping to save Linda A. Collins from drowning, Salisbury Beach, Massachusetts, August 18, 1984. Mrs. Collins, 38, was swept into deep water of the Atlantic Ocean and was unable to swim back to shore. Gallo, 61, paralegal, swam about 200 feet to Mrs. Collins and returned halfway with her before he was overcome by the surf and drowned. Mrs. Collins was taken to safety by others.

59932-6882

Carnegie Medal awarded to Joseph W. Gardner, who helped to rescue John H. Young from exposure, Douglas Lake, British Columbia, December 7, 1982. While herding cattle, Young, 35, had sustained a concussion in a fall

and was missing in sub-zero temperatures overnight from the ranch of his employer. When informed, Gardner, 36, ranch manager, took off in the ranch plane, despite poor conditions at the airstrip, and, with a man aboard to help, searched the vicinity in which Young was known to have been working. When they spotted Young, who was suffering from hypothermia and lying on a frozen lake, Gardner decided to land the plane on the ice. Without accurate knowledge of ice thickness or snow depth, and despite the fact that the plane was not equipped with skis, Gardner landed the plane and taxied to Young. Although they then heard ice cracking, Gardner and the other man ran to Young and placed him aboard the plane. Gardner flew Young to a hospital, where he was detained and treated for his injuries. He recovered.

59715-6879

Carnegie Medal awarded to Michael A. Gigliotti, who died attempting to save Linda A. Collins from drowning, Salisbury Beach, Massachusetts, August 18, 1984. Mrs. Collins, 38, was swept into deep water of the Atlantic Ocean and was unable to swim back to shore. Gigliotti, 57, sheet metal worker, entered the water and swam about 150 feet toward her before he submerged and drowned. Another man swam to Mrs. Collins and took her to shallower water before he, too, drowned. Mrs. Collins was taken the rest of the way to shore by others.

59931-6881

Carnegie Medal awarded to Daniel John Govoni, who died attempting to save Richard L. Lisa from suffocation, Belfast, Maine, April 11, 1985. Lisa, 21, at work on his employer's barge, entered a compartment that was later found to be deficient in oxygen. He lost consciousness. After a co-worker entered the compartment for Lisa and also collapsed, Govoni, 20, seaman, entered the compartment. He too lost consciousness. Rescue workers later recovered the three victims. Lisa, who was in a coma for 11 days and was hospitalized for four weeks, survived. Govoni and the other co-worker could not be revived.

60361-6939

Carnegie Medal awarded to Robert B. Granaas, who died attempting to save Billy M. Baker from suffocation, Romulus, Michigan, October 10, 1983. Baker, 26, was overcome while cleaning an underground gasoline storage tank at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. His co-worker, Granaas, 24, fuel farm attendant, entered the tank for him but climbed out gasping. After alerting help, he re-entered and was forced out again. With a rope tied around him, Granaas entered the tank a third time. There, he removed the rope, apparently to tie it around Baker, before he collapsed. Both men suffocated.

59370-6883

Carnegie Medal awarded to Paul Mark Gunby, who helped to save Patricia A. Erickson from drowning, Littleton, Colorado, August 5, 1983. After her truck was swept from a flooded bridge into Big Dry Creek during a rainstorm, Mrs. Erickson, 23, struggled toward one of the creek's banks. Despite hav-

ing only one arm, Gunby, 20, unemployed sales manager, jumped into the creek and, with his legs wrapped around a tree trunk, caught Mrs. Erickson as she passed by. With great difficulty in the fast, debris-clogged water, Gunby maneuvered Mrs. Erickson toward the bank, where a woman helped him remove her to safety. Gunby, nearly swept downstream himself, was then helped onto the bank by the women. 59913-6911

Carnegie Medal awarded to John A. Hamilton, who saved Melinda A. Cockney and helped to save Leslie Semmler from drowning, Inuvik, Northwest Territories, July 20, 1983. Melinda, 4, and Leslie, 2, were in the cab of a pickup truck that rolled into the Mackenzie River, East Channel, and submerged in water 10 feet deep. Hamilton, 23, college student, who learned of the accident as he approached the scene in his boat, immediately dived into the muddy water and began to search for the truck. Finding it, he made numerous dives into the truck's interior and, despite having virtually no visibility in the water, found Melinda and took her to the surface. Hamilton then directed a police officer to the truck, and both men made repeated dives for Leslie, who was saved by the officer. Melinda and Leslie fully recovered after hospitalization. 60078-6941

Carnegie Medal awarded to Robert J. Henderson, who rescued Daniel Evans from assault, Miami, Florida, March 29, 1984. Evans, 22, was at a job site when a man armed with a knife approached and stabbed him in the chest. Alerted by Evans' screams for help, Henderson, 42, roofer and a co-worker of Evans, charged the assailant and attempted to wrench the knife from him as he continued to stab Evans. Henderson also was stabbed during the struggle. The assailant broke free and fled. Evans required hospital treatment for his wounds, from which he recovered. Henderson required emergency surgery for his stab wound, which included a punctured lung. 59638-6884

Carnegie Medal awarded to Robert D. Hesse, who saved Kathy Decker from drowning, Madeira Beach, Florida, September 16, 1984. Miss Decker, 31, a non-swimmer, was wading in the Gulf of Mexico when she was pulled by a strong tidal current into deep water near John's Pass. She floundered and cried for help as she struggled against the current. Hesse, 59, writer, swimming near shore, heard her cries and, entering the current, swam about 100 feet to Miss Decker, who had submerged and lost consciousness. Hesse towed Miss Decker about 60 feet through the current to a rock jetty, where onlookers helped them ashore. Miss Decker was hospitalized for water in her lungs; she recovered. 59968-6896

Carnegie Medal awarded to Scott R. Hurley, who died helping to save Maureen T. Gilbert from drowning, Chicago, Illinois, May 26, 1985. Miss Gilbert, 22, was sailing on Lake Michigan with a group of friends when a violent storm approached suddenly, causing high seas which swept her over-

board. Hurley, 26, exterminator, also on the boat, immediately dived into the water and took a life vest to Miss Gilbert. Those on the sailboat were unable to retrieve them. For almost an hour, Miss Gilbert and Hurley, growing weaker, clung to the life vest as darkness fell. Hurley released his hold on the life vest and submerged. Miss Gilbert was picked up by the Coast Guard after another hour and was taken to a hospital, where she was treated for hypothermia. Hurley drowned.

60473-6943

Carnegie Medal awarded to Rene M. Jalbert, who saved four persons from homicidal attack, Quebec, Quebec, May 8, 1984. A man armed with two submachine guns and a pistol entered the building housing the main chamber of the Quebec National Assembly and fired, killing one person and wounding 12 others. He then went into the chamber and killed two more persons and wounded a third, permanently disabling him. Three others sought cover in the chamber. Jalbert, 63, the Assembly's sergeant-at-arms, went to the chamber on learning of the situation. Unarmed, he entered the chamber and confronted the gunman, persuading him to permit the four survivors to leave. Jalbert then convinced the gunman to accompany him to his office, where, over the course of almost four hours, Jalbert convinced the gunman to surrender. The gunman was then taken into custody by police.

59889-6898

Carnegie Medal awarded to Wallace L. Jensen, who saved Linsey C. and attempted to save Barbara J. Schiltz from burning, Oakley, Kansas, February 28, 1984. The van driven by Mrs. Schiltz, 26, collided with a tractor-trailer driven by Jensen, 51, truck driver. Linsey, 2, was a passenger in the van. After impact, the van flipped onto its passenger side, its engine compartment immediately bursting into flame. Although shaken by the crash, Jensen jumped from his truck and ran to the front of the van. As flames continued to feed on the engine, Jensen reached through the van's broken windshield and removed Linsey, taking her to safety. He returned to the van and was attempting to free Mrs. Schiltz when an explosion occurred, throwing flames throughout the van and thwarting his efforts. Mrs. Schiltz died in the fire. Linsey recovered from minor injuries and Jensen from second-degree burns to his hands.

59646-6885

Carnegie Medal awarded to David Paul Kastl, Jr., who died after helping to save Diane M. Kastl from drowning, Gulliver, Michigan, July 3, 1983. Diane, 14, was swept into deep water of Lake Michigan by a strong undertow. Her brother, David, 17, high school student, and her mother took a raft 40 feet through rough water to Diane and managed to get her onto it. A wave washed David away. The mother and Diane paddled to shore. David's body was recovered a week later.

59757-6886

Carnegie Medal awarded to John H. Kohl, who saved Jeanne M. Defibaugh from being struck by a train, Cresson, Pennsylvania, July 27, 1985. Jeanne,

2, was sitting between the rails of a track on which a train was approaching at 25 m.p.h. When the train's engineer applied its emergency brakes and sounded the horn and bell, Jeanne stood up and ran about 20 feet away before sitting on a rail. Kohl, 42, the train's brakeman, left the cab of the lead locomotive and descended to the bottom step at the front of the locomotive. While holding on to a railing with one hand and extending a leg in front of the train, he leaned toward Jeanne. As the train bore down on her, Kohl grabbed her clothing and pushed her off the track. Except for minor scratches and abrasions, Jeanne was uninjured. **60541-6944**

Carnegie Medal awarded to Kevin P. La Barr, who helped to save Melinda D. Peterson from burning, Bloomington, Indiana, September 8, 1984. Miss Peterson, 20, was the passenger in a car that, during a highway accident at night, left the road, overturned, and came to rest against a utility pole. Driving on the same highway, La Barr, 20, automobile salesman, saw the car and heard cries for help. He joined a resident of the area in attempting to put out flames on the vehicle with fire extinguishers while another man freed the car's driver. La Barr and the other man then crouched, leaned under the front of the car as flames were spreading on it, and pulled Miss Peterson, who was unconscious, from her position in a ditch beneath the car. They carried her away. Shortly afterward, the car exploded and was engulfed in flames. Miss Peterson was hospitalized for her injuries, and she recovered.

59970-6954

Carnegie Medal awarded to John Edward Larkin, who saved Gladys E. Waugaman from suffocation, Cleveland, Ohio, October 22, 1984. When fire broke out in the living room and filled her apartment with smoke, Mrs. Waugaman, 63, called for help, then collapsed on the floor of an upstairs bedroom. Next door, Larkin, 32, unemployed security guard, heard her pleas. Requiring a brace on an injured leg, Larkin left his apartment and kicked in the door to Mrs. Waugaman's. Confronted by intense heat and dense smoke, which limited visibility, Larkin crawled upstairs and found Mrs. Waugaman. Lifting her to his shoulder, he carried her downstairs and out of the apartment. Mrs. Waugaman and Larkin were treated for smoke inhalation and minor burns; they recovered. **60077-6912**

Carnegie Medal awarded to Christopher M. Lowe, who died helping to save Kevin M. Bates from suffocation, St. Marys, West Virginia, October 4, 1984. Bates, 22, was overcome by natural gas fumes inside an above-ground tank that contained 40 inches of water. When Lowe, 26, service rig operator, saw that Bates was in trouble, he shouted to his co-workers, then entered the tank after Bates. Lowe supported Bates before being overcome by the fumes. Two co-workers entered the tank and were also overcome. The four men were removed by others. Bates recovered after hospitalization, but Lowe drowned.

59984-6913

Carnegie Medal awarded to Mark Raymond Lowenthal, who attempted to save Caryn McVoy from drowning, Kahalui, Hawaii, January 10, 1985. Miss McVoy, 31, was windsurfing off Kanaha Beach when she was blown a half-mile out to sea. Lowenthal, 41, educational analyst, paddled a 14-foot ocean kayak out to her even though he was unskilled in its use. He attempted to tow Miss McVoy on her windsurfing board, but it collided with the kayak, which capsized and ultimately sank. Separated from Miss McVoy and pulled farther out to sea as darkness fell, Lowenthal was adrift for more than three hours before he was able to make his way back to shore. Miss McVoy was rescued by others. Lowenthal was treated for minor injuries, and he fully recovered.

60166-6945

Carnegie Medal awarded to Sylvester R. Ludwig, who died after helping attempt to save John A. Eisenzimmer from suffocation, New Rockford, North Dakota, June 21, 1984. Eisenzimmer, 49, was using muriatic acid to clean his well when he was overcome by toxic fumes in his basement. Ludwig, 63, handyman, who had been helping him, telephoned an ambulance, then a neighbor. As the neighbor entered the basement and began to pull Eisenzimmer up the stairs, Ludwig started down the steps to help. Both were overcome. Arriving ambulance crew members removed the three men. Eisenzimmer died. Ludwig and the other man were taken to the hospital, where Ludwig died nine weeks later.

60131-6918

Carnegie Medal awarded to Edith Marie MacInnis, who helped to save Sherri D. Dingwell from drowning, Cable Head, Prince Edward Island, July 23, 1984. Sherri, 11, and Edith, 13, student, began to swim back to the beach from a sandbar in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Sherri had difficulty against a strong current and called for help. Edith, closer to shore, turned and swam back to Sherri, who had submerged by then. Edith pulled Sherri's head to the surface of the water and attempted to swim to shore with her, but they were taken farther out by the current. Edith had to submerge several times to push Sherri out of the water. After becoming tired and making no progress against the current, Edith called for help. A woman swam out from the beach and took Sherri back as Edith, although exhausted, swam to shore alone. Sherri was hospitalized overnight, and she recovered. 60304-6946

Carnegie Medal awarded to Joseph Wayne Manford, who died attempting to save Sumitra L. Solanki from drowning, Hagerstown, Maryland, July 14, 1984. A non-swimmer, Miss Solanki, 27, submerged in the deep water of a pond after she slipped from an inner tube on which she was floating. Manford, 27, machine operator, swam 30 feet to her and pulled her to the surface of the water. A struggle ensued. Manford sank from sight as a man on a raft approached; the man took Miss Solanki to the bank. Manford drowned.

59863-6887

Carnegie Medal awarded to Geraldine T. McBride, who died saving Omar

T. Lawrence and Warren Bunting from being hit by a truck, Hartford, Connecticut, July 3, 1984. Omar, 7, and Warren, 6, were crossing Granby Street under the supervision of Mrs. McBride, 67, school crossing guard. A pickup truck suddenly swerved around stopped traffic at the crossing and approached the boys. Urging them to run, Mrs. McBride remained in the path of the truck as she pushed both boys toward the curb. Warren was brushed by the truck, but he sustained only minor injuries. Mrs. McBride was struck and injured fatally. 59833-6924

Carnegie Medal awarded to John Francis McCarthy, who rescued Yvonne and Tabatha Moore from assault, Opa-Locka, Florida, November 8, 1984. Miss Moore, 20, was being beaten by a man armed with a sawed-off shotgun in the courtyard of her apartment complex after she and Tabatha, 6, her daughter, attempted to flee. McCarthy, 25, waiter, ran from a nearby apartment into the line of fire, where he seized Tabatha and took her to safety. When he returned, Miss Moore broke free of the assailant and ran toward McCarthy as the assailant chased her with the shotgun. McCarthy broke into an apartment, entered it with Miss Moore, and slammed the door and held it shut. The assailant fired through the door, wounding Miss Moore and McCarthy. Police arrived and arrested the gunman. Miss Moore and McCarthy were hospitalized for their wounds, and they recovered, McCarthy with some permanent disability in an arm. 60050-6948

Carnegie Medal awarded to Timothy M. McKeown, who saved Joseph W. VanDerslice from drowning, West Fairview, Pennsylvania, June 21, 1984. Joseph, 8, struggled against the swift current of Conodoguinet Creek as he attempted to hold onto a bridge piling near the creek's confluence with the Susquehanna River. Timothy, 13, student, dived into the creek and swam about 40 feet to Joseph. In an ensuing struggle, both boys submerged several times as the current pulled them closer to the river, which was swollen. With Joseph on his back, Timothy swam toward the bank, then waded the last several feet. 59857-6888

Carnegie Medal awarded to James William Murray, who saved James H. Patterson from being struck by a moving vehicle, Norwood, Ontario, October 31, 1984. James, 9, ran down a driveway into the path of an oncoming truck on Victoria Street. Standing nearby, Murray, 41, store clerk, ran into the street, stopped James, and pushed him back toward the curb. Murray was then struck by the truck and thrown across the street. He suffered a severe cut on his left knee, but he recovered. 60045-6949

Carnegie Medal awarded to Dennis James Myers, who saved John D. Elliott from burning, Benton, Illinois, January 13, 1984. Elliott, 53, hung upside down and unconscious in the cab of his overturned tractor-trailer after a highway accident. Myers, 32, truck driver, saw the accident and ran to the wreckage. Kicking in the windshield, Myers completely entered the cab

despite the thick, acrid smoke filling it. Disentangling Elliott from the wreckage, Myers pulled him through the windshield as flames broke out and fed on the tractor. With help from two other men, Myers dragged Elliott to safety seconds before flames explosively filled the cab. Elliott recovered from a head wound.

59555-6899

Carnegie Medal awarded to Kenneth R. Nicolle, who helped to save Victor A. Gosbee and four others from drowning, Guernsey Cove, Prince Edward Island, July 22, 1983. Gosbee, 33, fisherman, and his crew of four were aboard his 42-foot fishing boat in the Northumberland Strait of the Atlantic Ocean when severe weather arose. Heavy seas swamped the boat, causing it to lose power and to begin sinking. When Gosbee and his crew did not return to the harbor, Nicolle, 36, fisherman, and another man set out to search for them in the other man's boat, despite the high seas, winds at 50 m.p.h., and poor visibility. After an hour, they located Gosbee's boat, which was almost completely submerged, about one mile off shore and helped Gosbee and two of the crew aboard. The other two crew members, adrift, were located a half-mile away. With great difficulty in maneuvering their craft through the narrow entrance of a harbor, Nicolle and the other man returned Gosbee and his crew to safety.

59883-6925

Carnegie Medal awarded to Shirley Ann Norman, who died after rescuing Barry J. Norman from burning, Suffolk, Virginia, September 7, 1984. Barry, 2, was on the second floor of the two-story house he occupied with his mother and three brothers when the fire broke out in a faulty heater. Miss Norman, 21, carried two of her children downstairs and returned to the second floor, despite flames and heavy smoke, for the others. After fire blocked the stairs, Miss Norman jumped from a second-floor window with Barry, who sustained severe burns to 50 percent of his body. Miss Norman also suffered severe burns, and she died five days later while undergoing treatment.

60377-6950

Carnegie Medal awarded to Thomas J. Norsworthy, who helped to save Bruce A. Baker and Kim M. Gustafson from burning, Devore, California, September 3, 1982. Baker, 21, was a passenger in a car driven by Miss Gustafson, 17. Stopped in traffic, the car was struck from behind by a fast-moving truck and burst into flames. Norsworthy, 18, cook, joined two other men at the passenger door of the car and, while flames spread, aided in the removal of Baker from the front seat. As flames fed on gasoline that had spilled to the highway beside the car, Norsworthy and one of the other men removed Miss Gustafson from the driver's seat. Norsworthy carried her to safety moments before a fireball erupted and completely engulfed the car. Baker and Miss Gustafson recovered from burns and injuries.

59941-6905

Carnegie Medal awarded to Buddy J. Osborne, who helped to save Victor A. Gosbee and four others from drowning, Guernsey Cove, Prince Edward Island, July 22, 1983. Gosbee, 33, fisherman, and his crew of four were aboard his 42-foot fishing boat in the Northumberland Strait of the Atlantic Ocean when severe weather arose. Heavy seas swamped the boat, causing it to lose power and to begin sinking. When Gosbee and his crew did not return to the harbor, Osborne, 47, fisherman, and another man set out to search for them in Osborne's boat, despite the high seas, winds at 50 m.p.h., and poor visibility. After an hour, they located Gosbee's boat, which was almost completely submerged, about one mile off shore and helped Gosbee and two of the crew aboard. The other two crew members, adrift, were located a half-mile away. With great difficulty in maneuvering their craft through the narrow entrance of a harbor, Osborne and the other man returned Gosbee and his crew to safety.

59884-6926

Carnegie Medal awarded to Deborah Ann Palmer, who helped to save Sherri D. Dingwell from drowning, Cable Head, Prince Edward Island, July 23, 1984. Sherri, 11, was attempting to swim back to the beach from a sandbar in the Gulf of St. Lawrence when she, as well as a cousin who tried to help her, were carried farther out by a strong current. The cousin called for help. Mrs. Palmer, 28, housewife, was sunbathing on the beach. She swam out to the girls and took Sherri from her cousin, enabling her to swim to shore. Despite the strong current, Mrs. Palmer swam to the sandbar with Sherri, who had by then lost consciousness, then carried her to the beach. Sherri was revived and taken to a hospital, where she remained overnight. She recovered.

60662-6947

Carnegie Medal awarded to Harold F. Perry, who saved Roger A. Fleenor and Raul Gonzales from drowning, Bluff City, Tennessee, August 27, 1983. Roger, 15, and Gonzales, 23, were swimming in the Holston River when Roger was seized by leg cramps. He panicked and submerged about 30 feet from the bank. Gonzales attempted to support Roger, who struggled with him. Perry, 36, machine operator, standing near the opposite bank, dived into the water and swam about 270 feet to Roger. After a brief struggle, Perry established a hold on Roger and swam to the closer bank, pulling him. Gonzales by then had tired and was bobbing in the water. Perry re-entered the river, swam to him, and took him to the bank.

59678-6900

Carnegie Medal awarded to Selden Clark Pierce, who died attempting to save Constance M. Rhyno from drowning, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, May 13, 1984. While on an outing at Cape Forchu, Miss Rhyno, 18, slipped from a boulder and fell into the deep and heavy surf of the Bay of Fundy. Although he was a non-swimmer, Selden, 15, high school student, descended to the waterline and reached out for Miss Rhyno as the surf broke upon him. Selden too slipped and fell into the bay. Miss Rhyno was pulled ashore by another youth, but Selden drowned.

60029-6916

Carnegie Medal awarded to Matthew Pinelli, who saved Curtis E. Gore from drowning, Madeira Beach, Florida, September 16, 1984. Gore, 49, was wading in the Gulf of Mexico when he was pulled by a strong tidal current into deep water near John's Pass. He floundered and cried for help as he struggled against the current. Pinelli, 32, salesman, fishing from a nearby rock jetty, dived into the water and swam against the current about 60 feet to Gore. He towed Gore back to the jetty, where onlookers helped them ashore.

59969-6897

Carnegie Medal awarded to Mark Warren Price, who rescued Isabelle C. Blaise from burning, Crown Point, New York, July 8, 1984. Mrs. Blaise, 39, was asleep in a bedroom of her mobile home when fire broke out in the kitchen. Price, 27, contractor, was driving nearby when he saw the burning trailer. Learning that Mrs. Blaise was still inside, he removed his shirt and held it against his face, then entered the trailer through a door near the bedroom as flames rapidly approached from the kitchen area. Despite the intense heat and thick smoke which prevented visibility, Price entered the bedroom and felt for Mrs. Blaise. Locating her, he discarded his shirt and dragged her to the door, where others assisted in her removal. Mrs. Blaise was hospitalized seven weeks for third-degree burns, which left her disabled. Price was hospitalized overnight for smoke inhalation and lesser burns, from which he recovered.

59862-6927

Carnegie Medal awarded to Glenn F. Rodgers, who rescued David A. Ross from burning, Jacksonville, Florida, January 3, 1985. Ross, 31, was asleep on the couch in the den of Rodgers' house when fire broke out in that room. Rodgers, 47, machine operator, had already fled the burning house but re-entered it for Ross, who was disoriented. Despite the dense smoke and intense heat, Rodgers crawled through two rooms to the burning den, where he seized Ross and dragged him out of the house to safety. Ross was hospitalized for extensive burns to his arms, back, feet, and neck. Rodgers recovered from smoke inhalation and lesser burns.

60110-6928

Carnegie Medal awarded to Orval Herbert Roulston, who helped to rescue John H. Young from exposure, Douglas Lake, British Columbia, December 7, 1982. While herding cattle, Young, 35, had sustained a concussion in a fall and was missing in sub-zero temperatures overnight from the ranch of his employer. Roulston, 44, cowboy foreman, volunteered to accompany the pilot of a search plane, which took off despite poor conditions at the airstrip. When Roulston and the pilot spotted Young, who was suffering from hypothermia and lying on a frozen lake, the men decided to land the plane on the ice. Without accurate knowledge of ice thickness or snow depth, and even though the airplane was not equipped with skis, they landed the plane and taxied to Young. Although they then heard ice cracking, Roulston and the pilot ran to Young and placed him aboard the plane. The pilot flew Young to the

hospital, where he was detained and treated for his injuries. He recovered. Roulston rode Young's horse back to safety. **59716-6880**

Carnegie Medal awarded to James J.J. Rouse, who saved Leslie Semmler from drowning, Inuvik, Northwest Territories, July 20, 1983. Leslie, 2, was in the cab of a pickup truck that rolled into the Mackenzie River, East Channel, and submerged in water 10 feet deep. On arriving at the scene, Rouse, 36, police officer, entered the river and swam about 100 feet to the vicinity of the truck. Despite having virtually no visibility in the muddy water, Rouse dived and entered the cab of the truck. On a second dive, he found Leslie floating near the ceiling of the cab and pulled him from the truck. They surfaced, and Leslie, who was unconscious, was taken to the hospital, where he was revived. He fully recovered. **60519-6942**

Carnegie Medal awarded to Michael Ross Santino, who rescued J. Ray Griffing from burning, Soap Lake, Washington, July 30, 1984. Griffing, 62, was asleep when fire broke out in the living room of his small frame house. Awakened, he fell unconscious to the floor of his bedroom. A neighbor, Santino, 32, salesman, broke one of Griffing's bedroom windows and climbed into the house. Despite the blistering heat, and flames beginning to enter the bedroom over Griffing, Santino crawled to Griffing and dragged him back to the window. He lifted Griffing to others, who removed him from the house. Santino followed. Both men recovered from burns they received. **59902-6889**

Carnegie Medal awarded to Kent Allen Self, who helped to rescue John M. Boertlein from assault, Cincinnati, Ohio, December 6, 1983. Police officer Boertlein, 26, was knocked to the ground and was being stabbed by an assailant, who was also attempting to secure Boertlein's gun. Self, 20, grocery store clerk, ran to the fight and jumped onto the assailant's back in an attempt to restrain him. As a crowd watched, another man arrived and grabbed the assailant. Self and the other man struggled with the assailant, preventing him from stabbing Boertlein further, until another police officer responded and wounded the assailant. After extensive treatment, Boertlein recovered from his wounds. **59755-6890**

Carnegie Medal awarded to Jose Eduardo Silva, who died attempting to save Ingrid B. Matz from drowning, Leamington, Ontario, August 14, 1983. While wading on a sandbar in Lake Erie at Point Pelee, Ingrid, 7, was taken into deeper water by a strong current, against which she could not return to the sandbar. Hearing her cries for help, Silva, 32, hair stylist, dived into the deep water despite knowing of the hazardous conditions. He was almost immediately swept away by the current and drowned. Ingrid also drowned. **60292-6951**

Carnegie Medal award to John Edward Skitch, Jr., who died after helping attempt to save Daphne F. Burns from drowning, Panama City, Florida, May 2, 1983. Mrs. Burns, 63, was swimming in the Gulf of Mexico when her brother, Skitch, 47, automobile fleet sales representative, became concerned that she was out too far in the rough surf. He swam to her and aided her several hundred feet toward shore to a point where they called for help. A lifeguard entered the surf for them and took Mrs. Burns back to the beach; another lifeguard took a rope to Skitch, who was then pulled to shore. Both Skitch and Mrs. Burns drowned.

60226-6952

Carnegie Medal awarded to Kelly Elwood Sluss, who died attempting to save Julie F. Franklin from drowning, Dunedin, Florida, June 25, 1984. Julie, 5, was wading in the Gulf of Mexico when a strong undercurrent pulled her over a drop-off into deep water. Sluss, 49, remodeler, who was wading nearby, swam about 25 feet to Julie and supported her as two teen-aged boys came to their aid. Julie was taken to shore, as was Sluss, who had lost consciousness and could not be revived.

59785-6901

Carnegie Medal awarded to Sidney R. Snarr, who helped to rescue Kenneth D. Sanders from burning, Temagami, Ontario, June 8, 1984. Sanders, 22, was trapped in an overturned and burning van following a highway accident. Snarr, 57, truck driver, observed the accident and ran to the scene. Joined by another man, he attempted to remove Sanders through a hole in the windshield, but Sanders' foot was lodged underneath a seat. Snarr reached through flames to free Sanders' foot. He and the other man then pulled Sanders from the van seconds before it exploded. Sanders suffered multiple injuries; he recovered. Snarr received second- and third-degree burns to his arms, and he too recovered..

60370-6929

Carnegie Medal awarded to Clayton W. Steele, who helped attempt to save John A. Eisenzimmer from suffocation, New Rockford, North Dakota, June 21, 1984. Eisenzimmer, 49, was using muriatic acid to clean his well when he was overcome by toxic fumes in his basement. A man who had been helping Eisenzimmer telephoned Steele, a neighbor, for help. Steele, 59, farmer, entered the basement for Eisenzimmer and began to pull him up the stairs when he felt dizzy. The other man started to descend the stairs for Eisenzimmer, and he and Steele were both overcome. Arriving ambulance crew members removed the three men. Steele was hospitalized for toxic gas exposure and he recovered, but Eisenzimmer and the other man died.

60112-6917

Carnegie Medal awarded to Kevin John Stone, who saved Kirk B. Dawson from drowning, Platte City, Missouri, June 10, 1984. When the automobile in which he was a passenger was involved in a nighttime accident on an interstate highway, Dawson, his shirt aflame, ran from the car and jumped over a guardrail. He fell into the flooded Platte River and was carried by a

swift current to a secure tree branch. Stone, 19, electrician's assistant, was traveling on the interstate; he stopped and heard Dawson screaming for help. Stone tied one end of an electrical cord around his waist and the other end to the guardrail. He jumped into the 35-foot-deep river and swam with the current about 100 feet to Dawson, but the cord was not long enough to permit him to maneuver freely. He removed the cord and discarded it. Arriving firemen floated a line and life jackets to Stone, who tied the line around Dawson. The men pulled Dawson to the bridge and then pulled Stone to safety in a similar fashion. Dawson was hospitalized with second- and third-degree burns; he recovered.

59819-6892

Carnegie Medal awarded to Konstantinos Tallman, who helped to rescue John M. Boertlein from assault, Cincinnati, Ohio, December 6, 1983. Police officer Boertlein, 26, was knocked to the ground and was being stabbed by an assailant, who was also attempting to secure Boertlein's gun. As a crowd watched, a man jumped onto the assailant's back and tried without success to restrain him. Tallman, 34, restaurant manager, ran to the fight, where he first kicked the assailant, then grabbed his striking arm, preventing him from stabbing Boertlein further. Another police officer responded and wounded the assailant. After extensive treatment, Boertlein recovered from his wounds.

59756-6891

Carnegie Medal awarded to Andres Torres, who saved Osman S. Hassan from drowning, New York, New York, December 21, 1984. While playing on Roosevelt Island, Osman, 4, fell into the East River and was taken away by the current. When he heard Osman's mother screaming for help, Torres, 19, unemployed, jumped from the bus he was riding and ran to the river. He dived into the river from a wall and swam to the point at which Osman had submerged. Taking him to the surface then grasping him under one arm, Torres began to swim across the swift current back to the wall. There, others formed a human chain and pulled Osman, then Torres, to safety. Both were hospitalized for hypothermia, and they recovered.

60101-6931

Carnegie Medal awarded to A.C. Wade, who saved Rickey L. Davis and helped to save Melinda D. Peterson from burning, Bloomington, Indiana, September 8, 1984. Davis and Miss Peterson, both 20, were in a car that, during a highway accident at night, left the road, overturned, and came to rest against a utility pole. In a nearby house, Wade, 59, handyman, was awakened by the accident. He went to the car, where he found Davis hanging upside down, restrained by his seat belt. As flames fed on the exposed underside of the car, Wade reached through the broken driver's window and cut Davis' seat belt, freeing him. Joined by another man, Wade then crouched, leaned under the front of the car as flames were spreading on it, and helped to pull Miss Peterson, who was unconscious, from her position in a ditch beneath the car. They carried her away. Shortly afterward, the car exploded and was engulfed in flames. Davis and Miss Peterson were hospitalized for their injuries, and they recovered.

59971-6953

Carnegie Medal awarded to John M. Walker, Jr., who rescued Arrick D. Denson from an animal attack, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, October 24, 1984. Arrick, 8, was knocked to the ground by a large dog which then bit him about the head, chest, and back. A neighbor, Walker, 62, disabled exterminator, heard Arrick's cries and, despite having a heart condition, ran to the scene. He hit the dog repeatedly on the head with a board, diverting it from Arrick, who was able to escape. The dog attempted to turn on Walker, who continued to beat it. Walker forced the dog into its owner's yard, where the dog was subdued. Arrick was taken to the hospital, where he required stitches to his head, back, and chest. He recovered. Walker, exhausted, was observed at the hospital, but he suffered no lasting ill effects. 60006-6902

Carnegie Medal awarded to Charles T. Walt, who helped to save Mark A. and Sylvester J. Allen from suffocation, Green Bay, Wisconsin, June 13, 1984. Mark, 28, was overcome by methane and collapsed while working in an enclosed, below-ground manure pit on his farm. Standing nearby, Walt, 47, service representative, alerted help, then jumped into the pit to pull Mark out, but he too was overcome. After regaining consciousness, Walt climbed out, obtained a rope, and re-entered the pit. He was attempting to put the rope around Mark when Sylvester, Mark's father, entered the pit and fainted almost immediately. Walt was overcome again, but he regained consciousness and left the pit for more help. Returning, he entered the pit a third time. He held Mark's and Sylvester's heads out of the 10-inch-deep manure, during which time he lapsed in and out of consciousness. Firemen arrived and removed all three from the pit. Mark and Sylvester were hospitalized three days and Walt overnight for methane exposure. They recovered.

60043-6903

Carnegie Medal awarded to Maynard G.R. Webber, who saved Eric J. and Patricia M. Marion and Joyce Davis from burning, Kirkland Lake, Ontario, November 1, 1983. After a highway accident, Marion, 23, Miss Marion, 19, and Mrs. Davis, 26, lay inside an overturned car that had caught fire. A passing motorist, Webber, 27, mechanic, saw the flames on the exposed underside of the car and gasoline leaking from the car's tank. Webber entered the car through its broken passenger-door window and, from a space less than a foot high between the car's flattened roof and its seats, removed Miss Marion. After learning that there were others in the car, Webber re-entered it twice to remove Mrs. Davis and Marion. Within two minutes, an explosive burst of flame engulfed the car. Miss Marion, Mrs. Davis, and Marion were hospitalized for injuries received in the crash, and they recovered.

59986-6932

Carnegie Medal awarded to Jeffrey Robert Wieser, who helped to save Bruce A. Baker, Kim M. Gustafson, and Gayle E. Mitchell from burning, Devore, California, September 3, 1982. Baker, 21, and Miss Mitchell, 23, were passengers in a car driven by Miss Gustafson, 17. Stopped in traffic, the car

was struck from behind by a fast-moving truck and burst into flames. Wieser, 29, contractor, joined two other men at the passenger door of the car and, while flames spread, aided in the removal of Baker from the front seat. As flames increased, Wieser entered the car, grasped Miss Gustafson, and pulled her from the car with the aid of one of the other men. Standing in flames that burned on the highway, Wieser entered the car again for Miss Mitchell, who was removed from the back seat with help from one of the other men moments before a fireball erupted, completely engulfing the car. The three victims recovered from burns and injuries. Wieser received second- and third-degree burns to both feet and ankles. He recovered but was left with residual scarring.

58624-6904

Carnegie Medal awarded to Anthony E. Wiles, who saved Maxwell Amero from drowning, Digby, Nova Scotia, November 30, 1982. When his car left the roadway and plunged over a 60-foot embankment into Digby Harbor, Amero, a non-swimmer, climbed through a window and struggled to stay afloat as the car began to sink in water 15 feet deep. Arriving shortly after the accident, Wiles, 22, municipal employee, partially descended the embankment, then dived fully clothed into the cold waters of the harbor. He swam about 45 feet through three-foot waves to Amero, who was submerging with the car. He pulled Amero to the surface, obtained a lifesaving hold on him, and started to swim back to the embankment. Twice the pair submerged as Amero struggled with Wiles. Wiles reached the embankment with Amero, where, cold and exhausted, they were aided from the water. 60030-6933

Carnegie Medal awarded to Claude Ray Williams, who died attempting to save Joseph G. Williams from drowning, San Marcos, Texas, January 1, 1984. Crossing an ice-covered pond, Joseph, 26, plunged through the ice into the frigid water. Claude, 18, high school student, heard Joseph's cries for help and ran about 50 feet onto the ice to give assistance, but he too broke through. After struggling to climb atop firm ice, Joseph and then Claude submerged and did not reappear. Both drowned.

59440-6906

Carnegie Medal awarded to John E. Winesickle, who attempted to save James E. Ford from falling, Everett, Pennsylvania, July 20, 1983. Ford, 28, and Winesickle, 28, construction worker, were working on the edge of a sloped roof about 15 feet above ground. Ford received an electric shock when a power tool he was using short-circuited; he was immobilized and began to fall over the edge of the roof. From about three feet away, Winesickle lunged at him, grabbed his ankles, and pulled backward. Ford's momentum could not be stopped, however, and Winesickle too fell over the edge. Ford landed on his back but was not badly injured. Winesickle landed on his right knee and suffered a broken rib, broken femur, and damaged kneecap, which required surgery. Because of his injuries, he was unable to resume his trade.

60102-6919

Carnegie Medal awarded to Gary J. Wislie, who rescued William L. Jackson, Jr., from burning, Arnold, Pennsylvania, March 21, 1985. William, 5, lay unconscious in the kitchen of his family's second-floor apartment, which was on fire. On his way to work, Wislie, 32, home remodeler, saw the flames and learned that William was still inside. Wislie entered the building and located the apartment, but he was driven back by heavy smoke when he pushed open the door. After taking a breath of air from a stairway window, Wislie crawled into the apartment's kitchen, which was aflame, and found William. He dragged William back to the door and began to carry him down the stairs, where he was assisted by another man. William was hospitalized three weeks for second-degree burns to his face and arms. 60296-6955

Carnegie Medal awarded to Robert Wayne Wood, who died attempting to help save Kevin M. Bates from suffocation, St. Marys, West Virginia, October 4, 1984. Bates, 22, was overcome by natural gas fumes inside an above-ground tank that contained 40 inches of water. Alerted by a co-worker, Wood, 26, service rig tool pusher, climbed atop the tank and entered it for Bates, but he was overcome by the fumes, as were two other men who had entered. The four men were removed by others. Bates recovered after hospitalization, but Wood drowned. 60023-6915

Carnegie Medal awarded to James Robert Wulf, who died helping to save James B. McIntosh from drowning, Sabinal, Texas, December 31, 1984. McIntosh, 34, who was partially paralyzed, was stranded in his car, which was swamped in the flooded Sabinal River at a low-water crossing. Wulf, 35, police chief, tied a rope around his waist and swam through the swift current to the car, the rear portion of which was suspended from the crossing over a rolling boil of water. As other men anchored the rope on the bank, Wulf climbed atop the car and removed McIntosh to its hood. Wulf removed the rope from himself and tied it around McIntosh, then held onto McIntosh as the men on the bank began to pull them to safety. A short distance from the car, Wulf lost his hold and was swept into the rolling boil, where he drowned. McIntosh was pulled safely to the bank. 60152-6920

Carnegie Medal awarded to William P. Yonev, who helped to rescue Kenneth D. Sanders from burning, Temagami, Ontario, June 8, 1984. Sanders, 22, was trapped in an overturned and burning van following a highway accident. Yonev, 40, lodge owner, observed the accident and went to the scene. Joined by another man, he attempted to remove Sanders through a hole in the windshield, but Sanders' foot was lodged underneath a seat. After the other man freed Sanders' foot, Yonev and he pulled Sanders from the van seconds before it exploded. Sanders suffered multiple injuries; he recovered. Yonev received minor cuts to one of his legs, and he too recovered.

60371-6930

Carnegie Medal awarded to Victor Zabbo, who saved Shawn C. and Cheryl C. Cook from drowning, Folsom, California, January 31, 1984. Shawn, 5,

and Mrs. Cook, 37, his mother, were being swept down the middle of the 85-foot-deep American River. Despite a swift current in the river, Zabbo, 23, ceramic mold setter, dived into the water, swam about 150 feet to Shawn and Mrs. Cook, and took hold of them. Turning onto his back, Zabbo kicked his way toward the opposite bank. After he had progressed about 120 feet with them in this fashion, Zabbo became tired; he then swam with Shawn about 30 feet to the bank and passed him to others. Zabbo then returned to Mrs. Cook and took her to the bank. Shawn and Mrs. Cook were taken to a hospital and treated for hypothermia, from which they recovered.

59618-6907

1985 Award statistics

Medals

In 1985, seventy-eight Carnegie Medals were awarded, bringing the total to 6,955 since the Fund was established in 1904. To date, the Commission has considered 61,249 rescue acts.

Especially do we honor those who gave their lives saving or attempting to save others. During 1985, twenty-one such sacrifices were made, bringing the total to date to 1,438:

Warren Crane Crunden	Joseph Wayne Manford
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David Paul Kastl, Jr.	Robert Wayne Wood
Christopher M. Lowe	James Robert Wulf
Sylvester R. Ludwig	

Monetary grants

	1985	To date
For continuing support of widows, widowers, and other dependents, and disabled heroes	\$186,200	\$10,306,206
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